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SUBJ: MORE ON LABOR PARTY DELEGATION TO USSR

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1. BRITISH EMBASSY CONTACTS HAVE PROVIDED FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON LABOR PARTY VISIT (REFTEL). MEETING WITH SUSLOV LASTED THREE AND HALF HOURS, AND DELEGATION DEPARTED FOR HOME IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. BRITISH EMBASSY WAS AWARE ONLY THAT SUSLOV HAD RAISED QUESTION OF BRITISH " ANTI- SOVIET ATTITUDE" AND HAD ALSO CRITICIZED UK EFFORTS TO EXPAND RELATIONS WITH CHINA.

2. SOVIETS THROUGHOUT VISIT AVOIDED MAJOR CRITICISM OF EC. LABORITIES WERE IMPRESSED BY STRONG SOVIET EMPHASIS ON INVIOABILITY OF FRONTIERS PRINCIPLE. SOVIET GENERALIZATIONS IN RESPONSE TO POINTED QUESTIONS ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS LEFT VISITORS UNSATISFIED. BRITISH EMBASSY BELIEVES DELEGATION CONDUCTED ITSELF WELL AND SUPPORTED GOVERNMENT POSITION ON MOST QUESTIONS DISCUSSED.

3. BRITISH HERE SUGGEST THAT TOM MCNALLY, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY OF LABOR PARTY, WOULD BE ABLE AND WILLING PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS OF VISIT. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL
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INFORMATION ON SUSLOV MEETING OR OTHER ASPECTS OF VISIT.
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